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SUBJ: MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE; DPC MEETING OF MAY 5

REF: A. STATE 103344; B. USNATO 2323

1. AS WILL BE REPORTED MORE FULLY BY SEPARATE TELEGRAM, DPC ON MAY 5 DISCUSSED DRAFT MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT. AT THE DPC MEETING, I ASKED THAT PARAS 22 AND 23 (REF B) BE REPLACED EITHER BY PARA 15, PART I, SECTION 6 OF MC 161/75 (DRAFT), OR BY A SIMPLE REFERENCE TO MC 161/75. NEITHER PROPOSAL WAS ACCEPTED. THE PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR (DE FREITAS CRUZ) PARTICULARLY OBJECTED TO THE LATTER SUGGESTION ON GROUNDS THAT HIS AUTHORITIES DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THE SENSITIVE SECTIONS OF MC 161.

2. DSYG PANSA ASKED ME TO ACCEPT AN ALTERNATIVE APPROACH WHEREBY PARAS 22 AND 23 WOULD REMAIN IN THE DOCUMENT AS WRITTEN, BUT THAT AN ADDITIONAL SENTENCE AT THE VERY BEGINNING
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OF THE WARNING OF WAR SECTION WOULD POINT OUT IN SUBSTANCE THAT THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS MUST BE READ IN CONNECTION WITH MC 161/75 IN ITS TOTALITY. I RESERVED MY POSITION PENDING CONSULTATION WITH WASHINGTON.

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3. I BELIEVE THIS TO BE A REASONABLE COMPROMISE, AND RECOMMEND ITS ACCEPTANCE. ACTION REQUESTED: WASINGTON REACTION TO ABOVE PROPOSAL BY OPENING OF BUSINESS BRUSSELS TIME MAY 7.BRUCE

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